03050105-09

(Kings Creek)

General Description

The South Carolina portion of 03050105-09 (formerly 03050105-120) is located in Cherokee and York Counties and consists primarily of *Kings Creek* and its tributaries. The watershed occupies 43,903 acres of the Piedmont region of South Carolina. Land use/land cover in the watershed includes: 66.6% forested land, 22.1% agricultural land, 8.6% urban land, 1.8% scrub/shrub land, 0.7% water, 0.1% forested wetland, and 0.1% nonforested wetland.

Kings Creek originates in North Carolina and flows across the state line to accept drainage from Modlin Branch, Dixon Branch, Ponders Branch, Stonehouse Branch, Dellingham Branch, Mill Creek, and Jumping Branch. Further downstream, Garner Branch flows into Kings Creek followed by Manning Branch, Bells Branch, Beech Branch, Wolf Creek, and Nells Branch before draining into the Broad River. Kings Mountain National Military Park and Kings Mountain State Park are additional natural resources in the watershed. There are a total of 66.3 stream miles and 27.0 acres of lake waters in this watershed, all classified FW.

Surface Water Quality

Station #	Type	Class	<u>Description</u>
B-333	W/BIO/INT	FW	KINGS CREEK AT S-11-209, 3 MI W OF SMYRNA

Kings Creek (B-333) - Aquatic life uses are fully supported based on macroinvertebrate community data; however, there is a significant increasing trend in total nitrogen concentration. A significant decreasing trend in total phosphorus concentration suggests improving conditions for this parameter. Recreational uses are partially supported due to fecal coliform bacteria excursions.

Groundwater Quality

<u>Well #</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Aquifer</u>	Location	
AMB-056	O56 GB SAPROLITE		BLACKSBURG-SHALLOW	
AMB-077	GB	PIEDMONT BEDROCK	BLACKSBURG-DEEP	

NPDES Program

Active NPDES Facilities

RECEIVING STREAM

FACILITY NAME

PERMITTED FLOW @ PIPE (MGD)

COMMENT

MILL CREEK TRIBUTARY SCG730068

VULCAN MATERIALS CO./BLACKSBURG MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001, 002 FLOW: M/R

KINGS CREEK SCG730589

TAYLOR CLAY/GROVER MINE MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

KINGS CREEK SCG730502

HANSON BRICK EAST/SERICITE MINE MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: A-C FLOW: M/R

BELLS BRANCH TRIBUTARY SCG730546

CUNNINGHAM BRICK/MARTIN MINE MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

MANNING BRANCH SCG730499

INDUSTRIAL MINERALS/KINGS CREEK MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

KINGS CREEK TRIBUTARY SCG730718

EAGLE CONSTRUCTION/EM WATKINS PIT MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

Nonpoint Source Management Program

Land Disposal Activities

Landfill Facilities

LANDFILL NAME PERMIT #
FACILITY TYPE STATUS

BLACKSBURG DUMP/ANTIOCH ------

DOMESTIC CLOSED

Mining Activities

MINING COMPANY PERMIT #
MINE NAME MINERAL

HANSON AGGREGATES EAST LLC 0115-21 SERICITE PIT SERICITE

VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

0354-21
BLACKSBURG QUARRY

LIMESTONE

TAYLOR CLAY PRODUCTS CO. 0221-21 ROBERTS MINE SHALE

TAYLOR CLAY PRODUCTS CO. 0199-21

GROVER MINE MANGANESE SCHIST

INDUSTRIAL MINERALS, INC. 0162-21 KINGS CREEK MINE SERICITE

CUNNINGHAM BRICK COMPANY, INC. 0810-21

MARTIN MINE MANGANESE SCHIST

Growth Potential

There is an overall low potential for growth in this watershed, which contains a portion of the Town of Smyrna. Duke Power built a natural gas-fired power plant, Mill Creek Combustion Turbine Station, near the top of the watershed in 2003, and it is expected to bring some growth to the area. Duke Power will buy water from the nearby Town of Blacksburg.